



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 9th January 2024 To 31st December 2024

Charity name: **Wivey Grows**

Charity registration number: **1206443**

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	For the people of Wiveliscombe and surrounding areas: 1. Improve Condition of life 2. Improve the natural environment 3. Provide education for public benefit
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	1. Providing fresh vegetables with zero food miles 2. Coppicing of woodlands, promoting biodiversity at all sites 3. Seed planting events for children (and adults!)
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	N/A
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	N/A
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	Some 20 volunteers have contributed to all aspects of the work of Wivey Grows over the year. Without our hard working volunteers there would be no Wivey Grows.
Other		

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Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>The main work of the charity has been growing vegetables at our plot at Langley House. The majority of these vegetables have gone to our "sister" charity, Wivey Kitchen, who make meals for those in the community who need free meals.</p> <p>The coppicing work done over the winter has allowed the opening of wheelchair accessible paths through the Langley House woodland for the use of the residents.</p> <p>A number of seed planting events were carried out at both Langley House and at shows in Miverton and Wiveliscombe to show both children and adults how to plant and nurture seeds.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	The objectives were largely met in terms of vegetable production and the coppicing project. We had hoped to run a number of children's events at Langley House but a new policy from the owners prohibiting more than a few children prohibited this.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	Wivey Grows successfully provided some £150 worth of honey in return for donations. There were some small donations but no grant funding applications were deemed necessary this year.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	N/A All funds are held in a "current" account
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The financial position is sound with some £1,800 available. We expect costs for 2025 to be some £500.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Reserves are held to ensure the ongoing financial stability of the charity. Grant funding is becoming harder to obtain so we are holding on to reserves and reducing spending in some areas (mainly organisational spending such as software)
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£1,800
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	N/A

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	The charity achieved some £200 in donations which covered the costs of materials for growing vegetables. This makes it practically self sustaining (in the short term at least)
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	N/A
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The main risk to the charity is our continued presence at Langley House which is under the control of the owners of the House and they may either need the land back or sell the House. We believe the risk is low as relationships with the house, staff and residents is good. We have further mitigated this by obtaining and using a small allotment plot in Wiveliscombe.
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		We have a single CIO run by a group of Trustees
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	CIO Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Advertising in the newsletter. Interview by existing trustees. The main provisions are laid out in the Constitution. There are no persons with entitlement to appoint trustees

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	N/A
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	N/A
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	The charity works very closely with Wivey Kitchen (Charity number: 1201960) providing fresh local vegetable to supplement the food it receives from supermarkets,etc
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Wivey Grows
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1206443
Charity's principal address	Wiveliscombe Area Community Office Wiveliscombe House 3 The Square Wiveliscombe Taunton TA4 2JT

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Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Dr Rosie Riley			
2	Mr Benjamin Terry Evans	Chair		
3	Mrs Nina Katherine Benson			
4	Mr Richard George Adams			
5	Mrs Sarah Yelland			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	N/A
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	N/a
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	N/a

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Benjamin Terry Evans	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date	2 nd October 2025	

Wivey Grows Accounts for Year 09/01/2024 - 31/12/2024

Income	Transfer In	5,627.41	Transfer of remaining Grant Funding from Wivey Cares
Income	Donations	0.00	
Income	Sales	166.00	Honey
		5,793.41	
Costs	Coordinator fees	-2,533.00	
Costs	Cost of Sales	-72.87	
Costs	Materials	-149.09	
Costs	Software	-612.42	
Costs	Allotment	-166.15	
Costs	H&S	-16.99	
Costs	Events	-20.00	
Costs	Insurance	-201.19	
Costs	Fees	-5.00	Licence Fee for Langley House
Costs	Design Fees	-200.00	Garden Design
		-3,976.71	
	Assets at year end	1,816.70	